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Blood Component Collection Soft Goods in a  
Blood Component Collection Facility

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**IDENTIFICATION OF PERTINENT REFERENCES FROM  
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Dear Sir:

This filing is in response to a request by the Examiner in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Office Action dated December 21, 2004 regarding foreign references and the number of references previously filed by Applicants within Information Disclosure Statements for the present application.

Specifically, in response to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3), Applicants previously submitted references after becoming aware of such references. Applicants do not have a translation of the foreign language references. Therefore, Applicants are unable to provide a concise statement describing the references, as requested. Applicants have only provided such references because, from the abstracts of such references, when available, Applicants believed that such references could be material to patentability, although Applicants are not certain that such references are in fact material. However, the following may assist in the Examiner's review of the present application.

Specifically, pursuant to MPEP Section 2004, paragraph 13, Applicants believe that the references listed below may be more pertinent for the examination of the present application. MPEP 2004, paragraph 13 suggests that Applicants identify the more pertinent references when many references have been cited in one or more Information Disclosure Statements.

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